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In re Patent Application of:  
Rodney C. Langley, et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
PLASMA ETCHING A WAFER

**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**Box Non-Fee Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to continued examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified  
U.S. patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 10 and 26 to read as follows:

~~1, 10.~~ (Three times amended) A method of plasma etching a wafer, said method  
comprising:

coupling a chuck to a rotatable pedestal, the pedestal comprising a central bore  
having a hollow shaft disposed therein, the chuck and the pedestal cooperating to define a  
coolant chamber in fluid communication with the hollow shaft;

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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/507,465

Please file the attached First Preliminary Amendment in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/507,465. The undersigned certifies that the attached Preliminary Amendment is being transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by facsimile transmission on July 16, 2002.

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